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NAVY ESTABLISHES INTRANET PROGRAM OFFICE

The Department of the Navy announced today the formation of the Navy-Marine Corps Intranet (NMCI) Program Office effective Feb. 11, 2002. The program office has been created to be the centralized point of authority and accountability for the NMCI program. Program manager will be Rear Adm. Charles L. Munns. The deputy program manager will be Marine Corps Col. Robert Logan.

"NMCI is a critical part of transforming the Navy/Marine Corps team to meet this nation's future security," said Navy Secretary Gordon R. England. "It is also a very complex undertaking, and one that is a dramatic departure from the traditional ways of doing business within the Department of Defense. These management initiatives will ensure continue to move forward on this essential program."

Senior level review of the program office will be accomplished by an NMCI senior executive council headed by John Young, assistant secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition. Council composition is expected to include Department of the Navy representatives from operations, finance, training, and testing, as well as industry leaders.

Munns a 1973 graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, earned a masters degree in computer science from the University of Colorado in 1980. He is now the commander of Submarine Group Eight and commander Submarines, Allied Forces South in Italy. Logan is a 1976 graduate of the Washington State University with a bachelor's in electrical engineering. In 1983 he earned a master's degree in electrical engineering from the Naval Post Graduate School in Monterey, Calif. He is now serving as director, Systems Engineering and Integration Division at the Marine Corps Systems Command in Quantico, Va.

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